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SUBJECT: SITUATION IN PEKING

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1. SITUATION AS OF 1700 HOURS APRIL 9. UNITS CONTINUED TO PARADE TO TIEN AN MEN THROUGHOUT THE DAY, THOUGH IN FEWER NUMBERS. IN MORE ORDERLY FASHION, AND WITH FEWER SCHOOLCHILDREN THAN THE DAY BEFORE. (NCNA REPORTS YESTERDAY'S MARCHERS NUMBERED OVER ONE MILLION.) USLO OFFICERS OBSERVED PROCESSIONS REPRESENTING THE COMMUNICATIONS AND THE AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY MINISTRIES AT THE SQUARE. WHILE OTHER OBSERVERS REPORTED SIGHTING A FOREIGN MINISTRY PROCESSION HEADED BY MINISTER CHIAO KUAN-HUA AND INCLUDING PRCLO CHIEF HUANG CHEN.

2. MEANWHILE, THE WORKERS STATDIUM IN NORTHEASTERN PEKING APPEARED FILLED TO ITS 80,000 SEAT CAPACITY WITH MILITIA AND FACTORY UNITS ATTENDING A RALLY THAT BEGAN AT ABOUT 1400. IN OTHER SECTIONS OF THE CITY USLO OFFICERS SAW INDICATIONS OF MASS RALLIES ON SMALLER SCALE BEING HELD BEHIND FACTORY AND SCHOOL WALLS.

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3. BANNERS CARRIED BY THE PARADERS CONTINUED TO

CALL FOR SUPPORT FOR THE POLITBURO'S TWO RESOLUTIONS,
AND MANY INDICTED TENG HSIAO-PING'S "REVISIONIST
CRIMES" INCLUDING ONE BANNER OBSERVED WHICH
SPECIFICALLY REFERRED TO HIS "COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY
CRIME AT TIEN AN MEN SQUARE." WE SAW MORE SLOGANS
TODAY THAN YESTERDAY NAMING HUA KUO-FENG IN CONNECTION
WITH THE POLITBURO RESOLUTION PROMOTING HIM.

4. WE HEARD INDIRECTLY TODAY THAT CHANG CHUN-CHIAO
ADDRESSED A BIG RALLY IN SHANREAI, AND THAT
SLOGANS THERE, AS TRANSLATED BY A CHINESE INTER-
PRETER ACCOMPANYING FOREIGN VISITORS, INCLUDED SOME
SAYING "HANG THE TRAITORS AND "DOWN WITH TENG
HSIAO-PING."
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